

Remarks:

The following remarks are numbered to correspond to the points of Examiner's office action.

1. (no remarks)

2. Claim rejections under 35 USC 101: Claims 13 and 14 are amended by this paper to more clearly point out that these aspects of Applicant's invention are tangibly embodied in a computer usable medium.

3. (no remarks)

4. Claim rejections under 35 USC 102: Applicant's claims 1-14 stand rejected under 35 USC 102(a) as anticipated by Iida (US-2002/0032739).


With this paper, Applicant amends independent claims 1, 10, 11, 13, and 14 to include limitations of claim 2 concerning packaging information (independent claim 12 originally included such limitations). Applicant cancels claim 2, and amends dependent claims 3-8 to depend on Claim 1 rather than on Claim 2 (claim 9 originally depended on claim 1).

Applicant respectfully holds that independent claims 1, 10, 11, 13, and 14, as amended here, and independent claim 12 as originally presented, are patentable over Iida, for at least the following reasons.

Applicant and lida solve different problems. Applicant addresses the problem of conveniently transmitting a plurality of input parameters that are common to a plurality of pages, whereas lida addresses transmitting long mail messages regardless of the total number of characters required. Packages are not involved in the problem addressed by lida, and Applicant respectfully holds that lida does not teach or suggest the concept of packages. Rather, lida relies on the use of simple and well known "next page" and "last page" techniques, as there is no need for lida to use package information (for example, lida's Figure 4 does not teach or suggest gathering (a), (b), and (c) as a package, as there is no reason to do so in solving lida's problem).

Since lida does not teach the concept of packages or the use of package information, Applicant respectfully asserts that independent claims 1, 10, 11, 13, and 14, as amended here, and independent claim 12 as originally presented, are patentable over lida, and so therefore are dependent claims 3-9. Applicant respectfully requests that these claims now be granted and pass to issue.

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